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SUBJECT: UNITAS XVII PRELIMINARY PLANNING

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1. UNITAS XVII WOULD BE MOST WELCOME IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AGAIN IN 1976 AND PROPOSED DATES 30 JULY TO 01 AUG OFFER NO KNOWN PROBLEMS AT THIS TIME.

2. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO COAST GUARD (IN EFFECT THIS NATION'S NAVY) WOULD BE INTERESTED IN CONDUCTING SIMULATED FAST PATROL BOAT ATTACKS ON UNITAS FLEET EITHER ENROUTE TO OR FROM GULF OF PARIA IF FEASIBLE. WE UNDERSTAND THIS WAS CARRIED OUT VERY SUCCESSFULLY SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND T&T CG WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY AGAIN FOR THIS TYPE OF EXERCISE. BELIEVE LAST TIME TT SHIPS ATTACKED US FLEET AT NIGHT IN PASSAGE BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, PROUDLY CLAIMING THAT ONE OF THEIR FAST PATROL BOATS SUCCESSFULLY PENETRATED UNITAS DEFENSES.

3. IF COLLABORATION IN SUCH AN EXERCISE CONSIDERED FEASIBLE, PLEASE LET US KNOW. COAST GUARD COMMANDER HERE HAS NOTED POINTEDLY SEVERAL TIMES TO ME THAT IN LAST THREE YEARS NO VISITING US NAVY SHIP HAS TAKEN
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TIME FOR TRAINING EXERCISE WITH HIS SHIPS. SIMULATED

FAST PATROL BOAT ATTACK SHOULD NOT DELAY SOA OF TF TO
ANY SIGNIFICANT EXTEND. PLEASE ADVISE.
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